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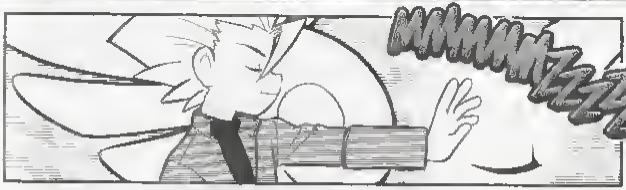
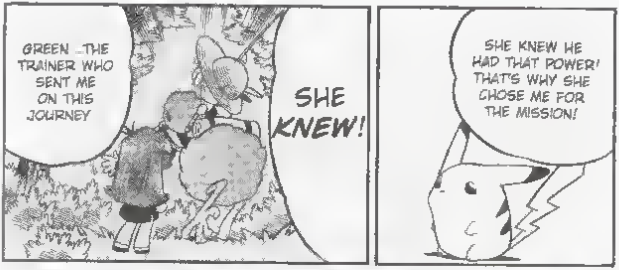
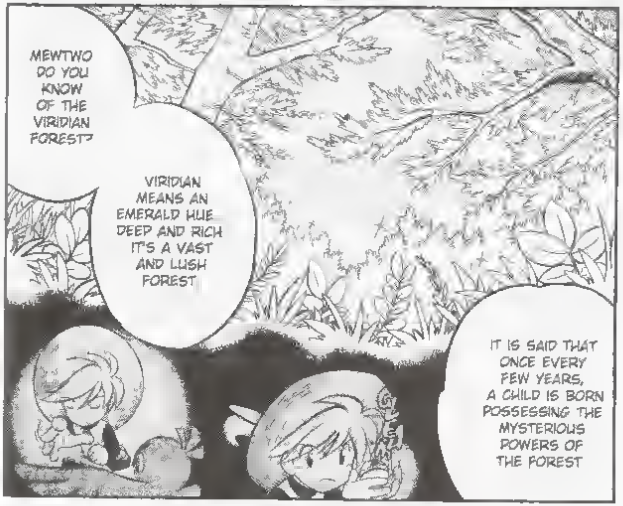
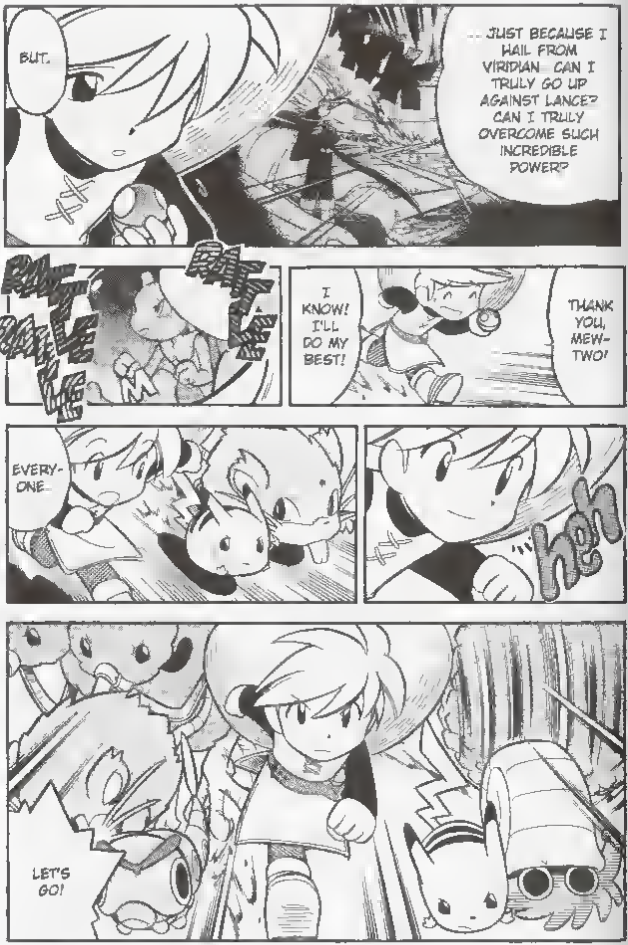


DID YOU SEE THAT, MEWTWO!?
Hoo!
JUST LIKE ME LANCE IS A TRAINER
MMMM
—WHO CAN READ POKEMON'S MINDS AND HEAL THEIR WOUNDS!!
HA HA HA


GREEN...THE TRAINER WHO SENT ME ON THIS JOURNEY
SHE KNEW!
SHE KNEW HE HAD THAT POWER! THAT'S WHY SHE CHOSE ME FOR THE MISSION!


MEWTWO DO YOU KNOW OF THE VIRIDIAN FOREST?
VIRIDIAN MEANS AN EMERALD HUE DEEP AND RICH IT'S A VAST AND LUSH FOREST
IT IS SAID THAT ONCE EVERY FEW YEARS, A CHILD IS BORN POSSESSING THE MYSTERIOUS POWERS OF THE FOREST

AND INDEED...
I AM ONE WHO POSSESSES THOSE POWERS


BUT...
...JUST BECAUSE I HAIL FROM VIRIDIAN... CAN I TRULY GO UP AGAINST LANCE? CAN I TRULY OVERCOME SUCH INCREDIBLE POWER?
RATTA
RATTA
I KNOW! I'LL DO MY BEST!
THANK YOU, MEW-TWO!
EVERY-ONE...
heh
LET'S GO!

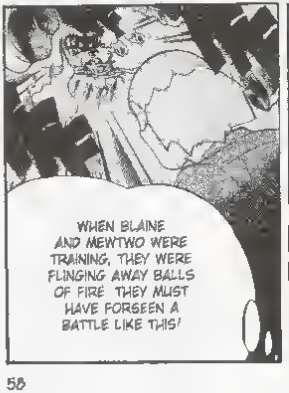
HA HA HA!
GWAH
HHHSSS
GLUP
GLUP
THIS PLACE!

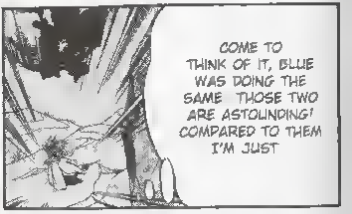
HA HA HA. THIS IS THE VOLCANO AT THE HEART OF THE ISLAND! NOTHING LIKE THAT OLD, INACTIVE CRATER ON CINNABAR ISLAND!
HHHOOO
SSSS
BLUG
BLUG
GLUP
THANKS TO GYARADOS AND DRAGONITE BURROWING INTO THE GROUND AND STIRRING THINGS UP IT'S CLOSE TO ERUPTION NOW!
WHAT BETTER BACKDROP FOR OUR FINAL FIGHT?

DRAGONITE!
STRENGTH!
GRAK GRAK
KA
!!
LAVA SPOUTS FROM THE CRUSHED BOULDERS!!
YEOW! HOT HOT HOT HOT HOT!!
PSH PSSH!

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN SUCH POWER!?
DRAGON POKEMON ARE DIVINE, MYSTICAL BEINGS! THEY ARE DIFFICULT TO CAPTURE BUT WITH GOOD CARE THEIR STRENGTH BECOMES UNBEATABLE! HA HA HA HA!!

OF COURSE...


WHEN BLAINE AND MEWTWO WERE TRAINING, THEY WERE FLINGING AWAY BALLS OF FIRE THEY MUST HAVE FORSEEN A BATTLE LIKE THIS!


COME TO THINK OF IT, BLUE WAS DOING THE SAME THOSE TWO ARE ASTOUNDING! COMPARED TO THEM I'M JUST

NO! I CAN'T BE AFRAID!

DODY! PECK!
RATTY! SUPER FANG!!
KA
THE NIGHT!
GRR!
Grurt
BA SH
AAAAH! DODY! RATTY!!
BASH

NO! GRAVELER! TAKE DOWN!!
OMNY! WATER GUN!!
CATERPIE, STRING SHOT!!
BACK!
DAMM
DH DH DH
OH, NO---!!
GIVE UP! NONE OF YOUR PETTY ATTACKS ARE A MATCH FOR THE DRAGONITE'S IMPENETRABLE ARMOR!!

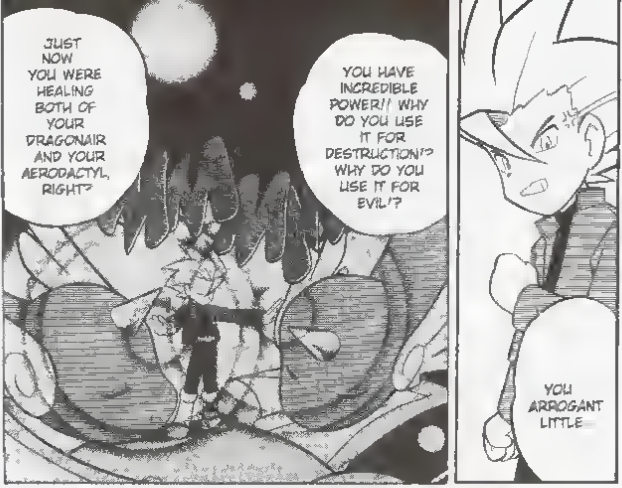
NOW! WILL YOU FLAIL ON-- OR WILL YOU PUT YOUR TAIL BETWEEN YOUR LEGS AND RUN AWAY!?

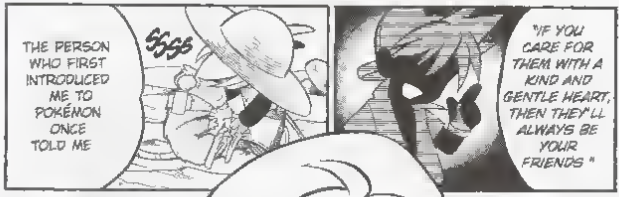
I WILL NOT RUN!

IF I GIVE UP NOW ALL THE CITIES WILL BE DESTROYED!!

OH, BUT THEY WON'T SIMPLY BE DESTROYED!!
I WILL REBUILD THEM!
I WILL CLEANSE THE LAND OF ARROGANT HUMANITY AND BUILD A WORLD WHERE ALL POKÉMON CAN LIVE IN FREEDOM!!

THAT'S WRONG!! IT'S WRONG!! I UNDERSTAND YOUR RAGE--
IT'S TRUE THAT HUMANS HAVE DONE SELFISH THINGS, TAKING AWAY POKÉMON HOMELANDS...
STRIPPING THEM OF THEIR FOOD SUPPLY...I'VE SEEN THE RESULTS OF THAT ON MY JOURNEY!
BUT DOES THAT GIVE YOU THE RIGHT TO DECIMATE THE HUMAN RACE? DOES THAT GIVE YOU THE RIGHT TO RAZE CITIES!?
POKÉMON AREN'T TOOLS FOR KILLING!!
EVEN THIS BATTLE OF YOURS...
HAS HURT NOT JUST HUMANS, BUT POKÉMON AS WELL!
SILENCE!
I WILL NOT BE SILENT!
I HATE FIGHTING. I'M TRULY SAD WHEN ANY POKÉMON ARE INJURED... EVEN MY OPPONENT'S!


JUST NOW YOU WERE HEALING BOTH OF YOUR DRAGONAIR AND YOUR AERODACTYL, RIGHT?
YOU HAVE INCREDIBLE POWER!! WHY DO YOU USE IT FOR DESTRUCTION!? WHY DO YOU USE IT FOR EVIL!?
YOU ARROGANT LITTLE


THE PERSON WHO FIRST INTRODUCED ME TO POKÉMON ONCE TOLD ME
SSSS
"IF YOU CARE FOR THEM WITH A KIND AND GENTLE HEART, THEN THEY'LL ALWAYS BE YOUR FRIENDS."

AREN'T POKÉMON *YOUR* FRIENDS TOO!?

SH-SHUT UP!!
I'LL SILENCE THAT INSOLENT MOUTH FOREVER!!
DRAGONITE! FIRE BLAST!!
AND THAT'S NOT JUST ANY FIRE BLAST! IT TAKES ITS ENERGY STRAIGHT FROM THE LAVA!
CRUNK
NOW VANISH IN A RIVER OF LAVA!!
AAAAAAAAAGH!